



**CITY OF WESTLAKE, OHIO
ORDINANCE NO. 2021-72:**

**REDLINED
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTIONS
137.01(b) AND 137.01(d) AS TO THE
COMPOSITION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Chief of Police have recommended that the number of Captain positions be reduced and the number of Sergeant positions be increased to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of police services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1: That Subsections 137.01(b) and 137.01(d) of Section 137.01 entitled “ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPOSITION” of Chapter 137 entitled “POLICE DEPARTMENT” be and the same is hereby amended and as amended shall read as follows:

“137.01 ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPOSITION.

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The Police Department shall comprise the police force of the City and shall consist of the following ranks and personnel:

(b) Not more than ~~two~~ one Captains;

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(d) Not more than ~~six~~ eight Sergeants;”

Section 2: That any Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section

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10, Article XI of the Charter of the City of Westlake and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: That this legislation is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to provide continuity of services within the Westlake Police Department, and further provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____

Michael F. Killeen
President of Council

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

ATTEST:

Denise L. Rosenbaum, MMC
Clerk of Council

Dennis M. Clough, Mayor